Action on recommendations of National Water Resources Council

2777. SHRI S.M. KRISHNA: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the recommendations/decisions of the 3rd meeting of the National Water Resources Council held in February, 1996 have been examined by the Central Government;

(b) if so, the main recommendations/decisions implemented so far; and

(c) the steps being taken/being contemplated to solve the statement of Sharing Cauvery water by Tamil Nadu and Karnataka States, keeping in view of the importance of the whole issue?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) As per the recommendations of the third meeting of National Water Resources Council held on 6.2.1996, draft National Policy Guidelines on various important issues relating to water resources development have been referred to National Water Board for modification wherever required, in consultation with the States.

(c) The Cauvery Water Dispute Tribunal was set up on 2.6.1990 for adjudication of Cauvery Water Disputes. The Tribunal has already conducted 90 hearings.

Irrigation projects commissioned and approved in Manipur

2778. SHRI W. ANGOU SINGH: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) the number of irrigation projects which have been comissioned and proposals sanctioned by Government for Manipur; and

(b) the amount of funds sanctioned and released so far for the new approved projects, project-wise?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA): (a) One major and three medium irrigation projects have been commissioned in Manipur so far.

Two major and two medium ongoing projects have been approved by Planning Commission.

(b) The details are as under:—

(Rs. in crores)

Project	Anticipated Expenditure upto Mar. 97	Outlay recommended by Working Group of Planning Commission for 1995-96
MAJOR PROJECT		
(1) Thoubal Multi-purpose Project	110.12	14.20
(2) Khuga Multi-purpose Project	60.86	13.50
MEDIUM PROJECT		
(1) Singda Irrigation Project	39.32	4.00
(2) Dolaithobe Barrage	2.94	7.54